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Application of:
Gianoulakis, et al.

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**For: Substrate Support
Apparatus To Facilitate
Particle Removal**

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendments and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/5970.05/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.